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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

ANGELO BENVENUTI ET AL

U.S. Serial No. 10/541,874

Filed: July 11, 2005



Group Art Unit 3724

L. M. Lee, Examiner

DEVICE AND METHOD FOR ELIMINATING TRIMMINGS FROM SERIES OF PRODUCTS, SUCH AS ROLLS OR THE LIKE

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is ~~an amendment~~ / a response in the above-identified application.

  X   No additional fee is required.  
      An additional fee is required as calculated below -

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
				Rate	Addnl. Fee	Rate	Addnl. Fee
Total		Minus *		x \$ 25	\$	x\$ 50	\$
Indep		Minus *		x \$100	\$	x\$200	\$
First Presentation of Mul Dep Claim.....				x \$180	\$	x\$360	\$
Total Additional Fee.....				\$		\$	

\* The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number of claims filed originally or highest number found from equivalent box of a prior amendment.

  X   This response is being filed within the period for response.

      Applicant(s) hereby petition for an extension from the date of the Examiner's Action as follows:

      First-Month Extension..... \$ 60.00 / \$ 120.00  
      Second-Month Extension..... \$ 225.00 / \$ 450.00  
      Third-Month Extension..... \$ 510.00 / \$1020.00

      Small entity status of this application has been established.

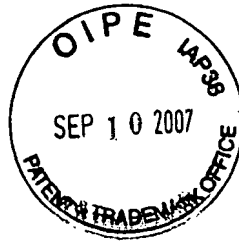
A Check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3690 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 10, 2007  
(703) 684-6885

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R E S P O N S E

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement mailed August 10, 2007 applicants elect to prosecute in the present application the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1-26 and 44, drawn to a device to eliminate trimmings from a series of products. However, applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected subject matter of Group II, i.e., claims 27-43, drawn to a method to eliminate head and tail trimmings, under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §121.

Additionally, applicants elect Species B (Figure 8). Of the elected claims, pending claims 1-13, 15-26 and 44 read on elected Species B.